

Snow Removal:

The goal of the Elbert County Road and Bridge Department is to provide a safe and accessible transportation system during inclement weather and winter storm events. In order to provide for efficient and effective snow removal and sanding operations, the County has established a snow removal system.

Because the County has more than 1,200 miles of road, the Department prioritizes depending upon traffic movement and safety, emergency response, budget allocations, special community needs and snowfall levels. Our first priority is arterial roadways. These roads provide a transportation network that must be kept open for emergency services.

Priority 1 - Arterials: Provide a network which must be kept open to provide access to fire and law enforcement.

Priority 2 - Collector Streets: Provide access to arterial thoroughfares. Because of the lower volume they have a lower priority than arterials.

Priority 3 - Local Roads: Local roads and cul-de-sacs, which provide access to collectors and arterials, have medium volume traffic. Local roads provide traffic flow within subdivisions.

Plowing and Sanding Operations: Plowing and sanding operations begin when there is an accumulation of snow or ice and conditions warrant. Roads shall be plowed to the inside or outside, depending upon snowfall and conditions. Plowed roads will be widened and clean-up operations will commence after Priority 2 roadways have been made accessible.

The Elbert County Sheriff's Office, has in the past, required all vehicles to remain off all roads due to extreme conditions. Even in less than blizzard conditions, we ask that you limit driving to allow for plow trucks and sanders to clear the roads more quickly.